

Amendments to the Claims

Please amend claims 13-16 as set forth below in the Listing of Claims. This Listing of Claims replaces all previous listings.

Listing of Claims

Claims 1-12. (Cancelled)

Claim 13. (Currently amended) An implantable drug delivery system comprising:

a storage area for storing a drug,

a meter for metering a predetermined, effective amount of the drug;

delivery means for delivering the effective amount of the drug to a patient to treat a disorder, the delivery means comprising:

a catheter having a plurality of drug delivery ports, the drug delivery ports being movable between an open position to deliver the drug to the patient, and a closed position; and

drug delivery path preservation means for delivering a substance to the ports for resisting fibrous occlusion of the drug delivery ports, the drug delivery preservation means comprising a substance for resisting the fibrous occlusion being proximate the drug delivery ports.

Claim 14. (Currently Amended) An implantable drug delivery system according to claim 13, wherein the substance for resisting fibrous occlusions comprises poly(glycine-valine-glycine-valine-proline).

Claim 15. (Previously Presented) An implantable drug delivery system according to claim 13, wherein the catheter has a longitudinal axis and the drug delivery ports comprise a plurality of slits.

Claim 16. (Previously Presented) An implantable drug delivery system according to claim 13, wherein the substance for resisting fibrous occlusions in the drug delivery ports.

Claims 17-20. (Cancelled)